Statement on Injured River Mile 10.9 Worker

The Lower Passaic River Study Area Cooperating Parties Group (CPG), under the supervision of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), is continuing capping operations at River Mile (RM) 10.9 in Lyndhurst, New Jersey throughout early 2014.

On January 21, the CPG was notified by its contractors that a Great Lakes Dredging Dock (GLDD) employee was struck by the excavator arm on the work barge at RM 10.9. GLDD is conducting the capping operations at the dredged area of RM 10.9. Lyndhurst Township emergency personnel removed the injured man from the barge and transported him to a local hospital. The worker was treated for his injuries and released on January 22.

The CPG reported the incident to the EPA and the CPG's contractors made the proper notifications and reports of the injury. GLDD is currently conducting an investigation to determine the cause of the accident.